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Sir:

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The Notice of Acceptance does not indicate that an English translation of the International Preliminary Report on Patentability has been received. Accordingly, Applicants are attaching a copy of this translation.

Respectfully submitted,

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